

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 559 - SB 824**

February 5, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Exempts any resident 65 years of age or older from all hunting and fishing licenses including special area permits.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Decrease State Revenues - \$65,000/Wildlife Resources Fund**

**Other Fiscal Impact - Decrease Federal Revenues - \$78,000**

Estimates assumes:

- Any citizen attaining 65 years of age after March 1, 1991 will no longer have to purchase a one-time \$10.00 license to hunt or fish.
- Under current law, all Tennessee residents who turned 65 prior to March 1, 1991 are exempt from having to possess a combination hunting and fishing license. Those turning 65 after March 1, 1991 are required to purchase a one-time license of \$10.00. Use of Wildlife Management Areas at Reelfoot Lake and agency lakes or selected trout streams currently require the purchase of additional permits.
- In 1999-00 TWRA sold 6,538 of the senior lifetime licenses. According to TWRA, \$12 in federal revenues was collected for each of the 6,538 senior licenses issued for a total of \$78,456.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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